

DEGER & M'GINTY,
SOUTHERN RESTAURANT!

Lunch of all kinds constantly on hand. Ice Cream and Strawberries Every Night.

Ice Cream supplied to private families on short notice.

We have succeeded in securing one of the best cooks in the West, and can furnish meals of a quality to suit all customers. Good cool Beer and choice Liquors always on hand.

Sutton & Colborn own a sofa. 'There's millions in it.'

Imported Cognac brandy at Sturm's.

Bertrand arrived from Topeka yesterday.

'There was a sound of revelry by night,' and Uncle Mitchner says the boys will get to milling, notwithstanding his efforts.

Cincinnati Beer at Sturm's.

The F. P. A. (Farmers' Protective Association) seems to have the best of the Texas cattle element in Ellis county.

California brandy at Sturm's.

That long and genial cattle buyer, Mr. A. E. Buddicke, from Hays City, may be seen about town.

Milwaukee beer at Sturm's.

The new policemen, Ed Masterson and Joe Mason, are covering themselves with glory, and their prompt and efficient action cannot be too highly commended.

Anheuser's bottle beer, by the barrel, dozen or single bottle at Sturm's.

Mr. Geo. Newton, a brother of our rotund city father, arrived this week from Texas. He came up on the trail, and met Johnny for the first time in five years.

Genuine Hennessy's brandy at Sturm's.

M. W. Sutton spent two days of last week at Topeka attending a convention of County Attorneys called together by Willard Davis, Attorney General.

If you want to buy cheap liquors and cigars go to Sturm.

Messrs. Cox & Boyd, of the Dodge House, have secured the services of that inimitable caterer, Mr. Davis, as superintendent of the culinary department of their excellent establishment.

Rev. O. W. Wright visited Larned this week. He informs us that Rev. Mr. Overstreet is preaching to a very good congregation in that city.

The project of building a water power or steam mill near Dodge City is being discussed.

Our girl wears the belt.

Examine Sturm's goods and prices before purchasing elsewhere.

Mr. Webster informs us that the time for paying takes expires on June 29th.

Fine stock of summer goods at M. Collar's. You can get them at your own prices.

Mr. Wm. M. Tilghman is able to be about again. Glad to hear it.

We understand that 'C' company, of the 19th Infantry, is to go to Fort Elliott soon. This will take Captain Gentry and Lieutenants Towle and Eckerson away from Fort Dodge. Many will regret their departure.

John Osborn, better known in this community as Scotta, started on what our friends from the lone star State call a "long lonesome" last Thursday. After repeated assaults upon Mayor Kelley, a la cannibal I-lands, he succeeded in making a fight for himself which concluded in a manner which will justify his temporary retirement from public view.

Messrs. McGinty, Carr and Judge Frost, returned from Larned last Wednesday, where the two former appeared as witnesses, and the latter as counsel, in the Tyler case, which was taken from this county on a change of venue. Judge Frost was for the defendant. The case was dismissed on account of some irregularity in the information. Tyler now roams at will.

Sam'l Marshall has opened an ice cream saloon at Beatty & Kelley's restaurant, where he may be found every night, with the most delicious cream and cake. Families will be supplied on short notice, by the pint, quart or gallon, at reasonable rates, by leaving orders with Beatty & Kelley, or at Mr. Marshall's residence. Give the Judge a call.

Not all the facetious people in the world live at Dodge City. At Larned the other day they took the attenuated yalise belonging to a judicial character of this city, and made it plerhoric with bricks. Not only that, but they positively looked on with fiendish glee while he struggled along with it to the depot. The Judge is a man of few words, but the painful expression that crept slowly over his usually placid features when he investigated his burden, told louder than words of the tumult in his soul.

By a private letter from H. Harrison, of Fort Elliott, we learn that Lieut. Hatfield and scout Jack Martin, found at the head waters of the Pala Duro the body of one of the murdered Casner brothers. The spot was some twelve miles from where the killing took place, but how it came there is still a mystery. The body showed a gun shot wound behind the left ear, and was in an advanced state of decomposition. It was buried on the spot.

Just the Thing.

If you wish to get a good view of the cattle on a thousand hills in this vicinity, procure one of those beautiful and symmetrical new spring wagons of M. Collar. They are just the thing to drive over the prairie with.

For Sale.

One span of mules; one set of double harness; one Kansas Wagon—all for \$300. Enquire of A. B. Webster.

Dentistry.

J. D. Todd, Dentist, is at the Dodge House, prepared to do all kinds of dental work. Will remain one week. June 16.

Bute City Looming Up.

Messrs. D. H. Sims, A. E. Newman, P. K. Walter and W. R. Walter arrived this morning, and are stopping at the Western House. Mr. Sims is the leader, and the other gentlemen are capitalists who are members of the Illinois colony which founded the promising little town of Bute City, in the Pan Handle of Texas. They start for the new city at an early day, and will go well prepared for having all the sport in the way of hunting and fishing the country affords. If the colony makes the best of the natural advantages of their new country, Bute City is destined to be the metropolis of Western Texas.

Hope Deferred.

The aspirants for the cattle trade in Ellis county are objects of the deepest commiseration and pity. They are entirely confident(?) that their arid plains will be overrun with cattle, but somehow, notwithstanding this brilliant prospect, cattle buyers from that country will come here. Messrs Buddicke & Kaufholz, from Hays; Mr. Beech, who owns eight sections of land on the Smoky, and Mr. Maloney, from Eagle Creek, are already here. We also learn that Simpson Bros from Russell, Barnes from Stockton, and no end of Russians from the north fork of Big Creek and Big Timber will reach us in a few days.

Also several business men from Ellis are in town looking up locations. They have been waiting for the trade over there, but at last like the rats, they have deserted the sinking ship.

An Editorial Deluge.

Great Caesar! The Philistines are upon us! Gentle reader, contemplate with wonder and awe the imposing spectacle, and observe what a change a day may bring forth. Thursday the two melancholy looking individuals who struggle with this sheet were the only representatives of the unfortunate fraternity of printers within the limits of this city. Friday the minions of the press from all over the great States of Illinois and Kansas thronged our streets.

Our junior, arrayed in his other clothes and possessed of a war bag of a magnitude in direct proportion to the size of his wardrobe, stole silently to the depot and joined the jovial band en route for Colorado. The Kansas Association will visit the principal points of interest in Colorado, and return via the K. P. road. The prospect for a good time looks promising at present.

A Shot Gun Act.

The eastward bound train on Tuesday night brought for medical treatment a man who gave his name as Dickinson, from Rice county, Kan., who was badly wounded with Buckshot. He was removed to Dr. McCarty's drug store, and we learned from him that he was passing by an encamped emigrant train near Cimaron station the night before, when he was challenged and immediately fired upon. He claims to have been endeavoring to reach the cattle camp of James Anderson, and assigns no reason for the shooting. The wounded man has seven buckshot wounds in his lower extremities and is under the care of Dr. McCarty. He is doing well under the treatment.

We ascertained from other parties that he was with a man named Bell, lately in Mr. Anderson's employ, and the emigrants say the two men had followed them all day, and were attempting to make way with their stock under the cover of darkness.

The Tyler Case.

D. M. Frost, one of the counsel for the defense in the case State of Kansas vs. John Tyler, returned from Larned Wednesday. The case had been removed to Pawnee county by a change of venue, and was concluded this week. We learn that a motion to squash for a defect in the information was sustained by Judge Peters, and that Tyler is at liberty. In justice to Mr. Sutton we wish to say that this was one of the cases handed down from the old administration, and that the information was prepared by ex-County Attorney D. M. Sells. The trial was conducted on behalf of the State by Mr. Freeland, of Pawnee county, and for the defendant by S. N. Wood, J. G. Waters and D. M. Frost. At one time much interest was manifested in the case, but the tardy working of the machinery of the law has induced a forgetfulness of this pitiless spilling of innocent blood, and the result of the trial provokes but little expression of opinion. Notwithstanding the technicality that liberated the prisoner, there still remains the naked fact that even time cannot wash away—the cool, calm, deliberate murder.

Fort Elliott, Texas, June 11, 1877.

MR. EDITOR: I do not wish to quarrel with any person through your valuable paper, but wish to reply to that letter written and signed P. H. Montague, as it is a base lie from the beginning to the end. The writer has assumed the name because he is ashamed of his own and wants to disgrace some other man. He

says I was with T. Stockton stealing Texas cattle in Mexico. I don't think that man ever stole any cattle. They took all the Texas brands of cattle that were bought by the Comanche traders by lawful right, and as I was not in the country then I don't believe I was there. About returning any property to said widow is not so, as the property taken from Bottom when killed is in the possession of Lient. Witherell. He might have returned his best wishes and love to the widow, but no property. Let the Lient. Witherell tell the truth—sign his name and tell how the horse came into his stable belonging to Mr. Dyer. The Casner brothers are not in the business of employing men for murdering, nor using money for that purpose as stated.

H. HARRISON.

In justice to Mr. Gryden we remark that Dalton's bail was reduced from \$100 to \$50 which being given, the prisoner was released the same night.

Fort Dodge Items.

Company B. from Fort Larned and company I 19th infantry, from Fort Lyon, will arrive here on Sunday or Monday, en route to Camp Supply.

As soon as Col. Lewis, with the garrison from Supply, arrives at this post, Col. Towle, and Lieut. Eckerson, with company C. will leave for Fort Elliott, Texas. Company C. has been at this post for three years. Fort Elliott will have a garrison of two companies of the 19th infantry and two companies of the fourth cavalry, now en route from the north.

Company A. 19th infantry is expected some time next week from Fort Hays on its way to Camp Supply.

CITY AND COUNTY.

A Few Items For Our Friends in the East to Read.

There are but few claims taken in the vicinity of Dodge City. The land is good, and we want the county settled with industrious farmers and stock raisers. Heretofore the business men have depended upon the Texas cattle trade for support, and have not tried to induce immigration. The railroad company has been anxious to settle the country and sell its lands east of us before putting this land into market. For these reasons no attention has been paid to settling the country.

Dodge City is one of the most promising towns in Kansas, and the land and farms in its vicinity will rapidly increase in value.

The substantial bridge across the Arkansas river, just south of the city, was built by a private corporation, and at no expense to the taxpayers.

This is the only organized county on the line of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Road where government land can be obtained within one and two miles of the county seat.

A large tract of Osage Indian land lays in this vicinity, which is subject to entry at the exceedingly low price of \$1.25 per acre, one half the price of government land.

There are thirteen counties attached to Ford for judicial purposes. It is safe to say that those counties will not be organized for many years. This leaves a vast and unlimited range for those desiring to procure good and lasting locations for stock ranches. Foremost of the counties thus attached are Clark, Mead, Arapahoe, Foote, Stevens, Seward, Kansas and Stanton, all well watered by clear, running streams, which furnish an abundance of water at all seasons of the year. Timber, sufficient for fuel, can also be found on these streams.

The altitude and dryness of the atmosphere, the comparative exemption from winter rains, the boundless range, the luxuriant grasses, and the various conveniences for shelter, make these counties much sought after for winter as well as summer range.

The fertility of the soil cannot be surpassed, consisting, in a large proportion, of thoroughly drained valley lands, producing bountiful crops of all the grains, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone.

In addition to this there is a system of sub-irrigation. The freshets of June and July, which usually last until the middle of August, supply the soil with moisture sufficient to raise a good crop, even in a drouthy season. The banks of the Arkansas river seldom average more than six feet above the river bed, yet, on account of its great width, the bottoms are never overflowed. The topography of the country is generally level. Bottom lands, 20 per cent; up land, 50 per cent. Forest, 5 per cent; prairie, 95 per cent.

The average width of the Arkansas valley in this county is from 10 to 25 miles.

The county is well supplied with springs, and water can be obtained almost any place by digging from ten to thirty feet.

The principal stream is the Arkansas river, which runs, in a winding course, through the entire county, from the west to the east line.